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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS EVIDENCE OF A MAJOR RECONSTRUCTION EFFORT TO REBUILD A PREVIOUSLY DESTROYED/DISMANTLED MILITARY INSTALLATION IN NVN.

2. LOCATION:

APPROXIMATELY 25 NM SOUTHWEST OF HANOI ON ROUTE 6.

3. BACKGROUND:

IN MAY OF 1967 THIS TARGET WAS REPORTEDLY THE SITE OF A SPECIAL INFILTRATION TRAINING CENTER SUPPORTING VIET CONG ACTIVITIES. THE CAMP WHICH ORIGINALLY CONSISTED OF OVER 300 BUILDINGS HAD BEEN SUBJECTED TO AIR STRIKES AND 70% DISMANTLED BY MAY 67 WITH ONLY 102 BLDGS REMAINING.

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IMAGED THE AREA AND REVEALED THAT ALL OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDINGS AND BARRACKS HAD BEEN DISMANTLED/DESTROYED. FOUR REVETTED AMMUNITION STORAGE BUILDINGS, ONE MESS HALL, AND FOUR SUPPORT BUILDINGS REMAINED. NO GROUND ORDER OF BATTLE WAS OBSERVED AND THE AREA APPEARED ABANDONED.

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4. MISSION READOUT:



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AMMUNITION STORAGE BUILDINGS, TWO MESS HALLS, AND TWO LARGE DAMAGED WAREHOUSE TYPE BUILDINGS IN A VERY EARLY STAGE OF POSSIBLE RECONSTRUCTION. ALSO OBSERVED WERE TWELVE NEW SMALLER STORAGE/SUPPORT BUILDINGS. AT LEAST 78 TRUCKS WERE OBSERVED IN THE AREA.

COMPARATIVE PHOTOGRAPHY



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REVEALS THE RECONSTRUCTION OF PERMANENT TYPE BUILDINGS IS UNDER WAY IN THIS HEAVILY DAMAGED/DESTROYED MILITARY BARRACKS AREA. TWO LARGE WAREHOUSE-TYPE BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY RECONSTRUCTED, NINETEEN SMALLER BUILDINGS (PROBABLY BARRACKS), ONE SUPPORT BUILDING AND FOUR OTHER SMALL BUILDINGS ARE NEWLY CONSTRUCTED. EIGHT RAZED BUILDING FOUNDATIONS ARE BEING UTILIZED AS STORAGE HARD STANDS AND NUMEROUS OTHER STACKS OF OPEN STORES ARE OBSERVED THROUGHOUT THE AREA. IN ADDITION TO THE NEW BUILDINGS AND INCREASED STORAGE, AT LEAST 285 VEHICLES ARE OBSERVED WITHIN THE AREA. A NEWLY IDENTIFIED SA-2 MISSILE TRAINING AREA IS LOCATED AT UTM WJ-619102 1.3 NM EAST OF THIS AREA. IT PROBABLY IS OCCUPIED BY TWO SAM TRAINING BATTALIONS.



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